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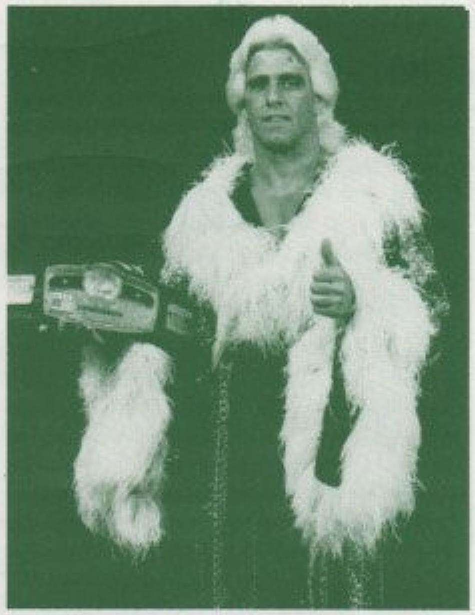
RHODES LOOKS TO TAKE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FROM FLAIR, FRIDAY, NOV. 29 AT THE ARENA

For Dusty Rhodes, it's been a long time coming.

Known as a disciple of the hard-work ethic, Rhodes is finally going to get another chance at the NWA World Heavyweight Championship.

Friday, November 29, "The American Dream" will meet World Heavyweight Champion Ric Flair in St. Louis at The Arena in the main event of the St. Louis Wrestling Club program. The match will be one fall with a one-hour time limit.

Rhodes, who once defeated Flair for the NWA title, hasn't really prepared for the match, so to say. Rather, he has simply gone out and beat the best competitors available, thus rising as one of the two top-ranked challengers for the belt, behind only Tully Blanchard.



"NATURE BOY" RIC FLAIR

"The only way to get to the top is to work your butt off," Rhodes said. "And that's what I've been doing. I havn't yelled and screamed for a title shot. I figured that if I beat everyone around, the cream of the crop, I'd get another chance. It's what the "American Dream" is all about.

Indeed. Rhodes has recently even beaten the man that most publications rank as the top contender for Flair's belt: Blanchard.

The victory over Blanchard came in a steel cage match at the Great American Bash in Charlotte, N.C. The match was for the NWA Television title as well as to settle the feud between the two. Even though Rhodes beat Blanchard, he still is ranked as the second contender for the belt.

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R & R Express, Haynes To Challenge The Russians

THE ROCK'N ROLL EXPRESS

There's bad blood, and then there's BAD BLOOD.

It's no secret that ever since the Rockin' Roll Express, Rick Morton and Robert Gibson, took the NWA World Tag Team title from the Russians Ivan Koloff and Krusher Krushchev back in July, the bad blood between the two has been hotter than ever.

Friday night, November 29 at The Arena, the two rivals will bring their feud to St. Louis — with a slight twist.

The Rockin' Roll Express will be looking to take another title from the Russians when they battle them for the NWA World Six-Man Tag-Team Championship.

Koloff, Khrushchev and Nikita Koloff are the current six-man champions. Joining Gibson and Morton will be the

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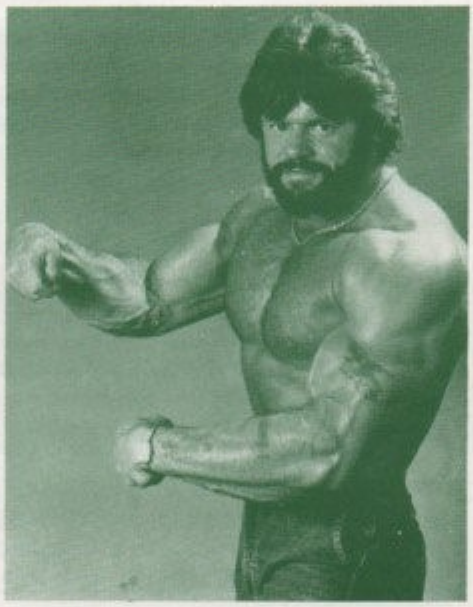


BILLY JACK HAYNES

Referees: Eddie Smith and Jim Bunting.

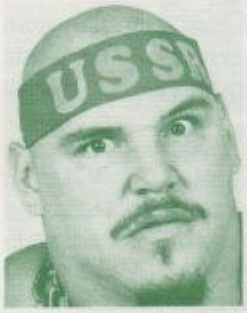
AT RINGSIDE

with Pat O'Connor

The St. Louis Wrestling Club tonight returns to the spacious confines of The Arena. And we've brought back some old faces along with some new ones.

Ric Flair will defend his NWA World Title against long-time foe, Dusty Rhodes, 'The American Dream.' Dusty has been working hard for another title bout, and through the St. Louis Wrestling Club, the contract has been signed by both Flair and the former World Champion. Several years ago, Dusty took the title from Flair only to see Flair retain the belt at a later date. Few people have put Flair's shoulders to the mat for the three-count, and Dusty is one of them.

'The American Dream' deserves another shot . . . The six-man tag-team championship will bring the Russians to town along with the Rockin' Roll Express. But perhaps the most interesting figure in the bout will be Billy Jack Haynes. Haynes, who will join the Rockin' Roll Express to challenge the Russians, is a huge up and rising young star in the NWA. He has been compared to the likes of former World Heavyweight Champion Kerry Von Erich. He should indeed be a crowd pleaser in his St. Louis debut . . . Also returning to St. Louis after a long absence is Superstar Billy Graham. He will team with another St. Louis refugee, Boogie Man Jimmy Valiant in a battle with the Midnite Express . . . And finally, perhaps the most impressive young wrestler in the world today will make his St. Louis debut — Magnum T.A. This young man is indeed a superstar and future champion.



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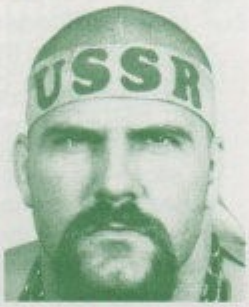

NIKITA KOLOFF

IVAN KOLOFF

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Tickets for the St. Louis Wrestling Club's All-Star lineup at The Arena **Friday, November 29**, are now on sale at The Arena box office and at Ticketmaster Outlets (Dillar's Stix, Baer & Fuller Stores, Regal Sports or Team, Togs & Tickets). To order tickets by phone call Dialtix at 421-1400.

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$8 - $9 - $10 - $11

ALL SEATS RESERVED

On the day of the card the Ticketmaster sales ends at 4:00 P.M. and tickets will be on sale at The Arena continuously from 10:00 A.M. throughout the rest of the day and evening.

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THE ARENA
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 8:00 P.M.
THE ARENA
Oakland Ave. — St. Louis, Mo.

THE MAIN EVENT

For The World Heavyweight Championship

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"NATURE BOY" RIC FLAIR
244, Minneapolis, Minn.
World Champion

vs

"THE AMERICAN DREAM" DUSTY RHODES
260, Austin, Texas
Former World Champion

Both DISQ.

Hit Referee Bunting

One Fall, One-Hour Time Limit

THE CO-FEATURE

For The World Six-Man Tag Team Championship

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BILLY JACK HAYNES
260, Portland, Oregon
ROCKIN' ROLL EXPRESS
442, Memphis, Tenn.

vs

IVAN KOLOFF
NIKITA KOLOFF
KRUSHER KRUSHCHEV
Russia

One Fall, One-Hour Time Limit

Morton over Krushchev.

THE FIFTH MATCH

For The World Television Championship

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MAGNUM T.A.
244, Virginia

vs

ARNE ANDERSON
240, Minnesota

One Fall, 45-Minute Time Limit

THE FOURTH MATCH

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"BOOGIE MAN" JIMMY VALIANT
252, New York
"SUPERSTAR" BILLY GRAHAM
274, Paradise Valley, Ariz.

vs

THE MIDNITE EXPRESS
with JIM CORNETTE
422, Dark Side

DISQ - use of racket

One Fall, 45-Minute Time Limit

THE THIRD MATCH

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BUDDY LANDELL
239, Los Angeles, Cal.
with J. J. Dillon

vs

TERRY TAYLOR
238, Vero Beach, Fla.

DRAW

One Fall, 30-Minute Time Limit

THE SECOND MATCH

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TULLY BLANCHARD
238, San Antonio, Tx.
with "Baby Doll"

vs

ART CREWS
256, Topeka, Ks.

One Fall, 20-Minute Time Limit

THE CURTAIN RAISER

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CRUSHER BLACKWELL
486, Stone Mountain, Ga.

vs

~~MR. POGO~~ Gato
260, Tokyo, Japan

One Fall, 20-Minute Time Limit

Lineup subject to change: We reserve the right to change the order of events. The St. Louis Wrestling Club, Inc. is not responsible if contestants fail to appear in the ring due to conditions beyond our control such as illness, injuries, travel conditions, etc. When possible, substitute matches will be made.

Attendance: 5,000

Announcer: Rick Stuart

(R+R are new tag champions in Atlanta [illegible])

NWF on same night only drew 2,000 at Kiel. Geigel and Stuart attended matches.

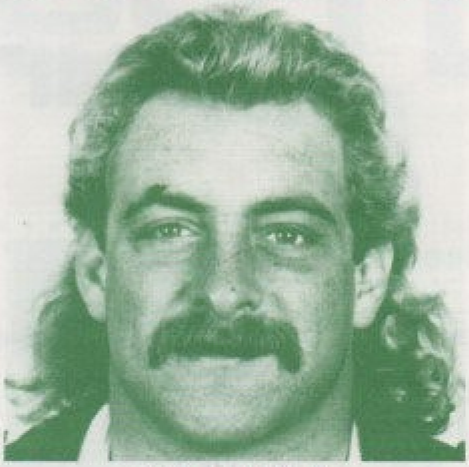
M-Exp plus-Terry Allen vs. Blanchard → (Next card JAN-1-86.)

Magnum T.A., Anderson Battle For World T.V. Title

If it was as simple as who was prettier, it would be no contest. Unfortunately, it's not that simple, even though you could call it a screen test.

Friday, November 29 at The Arena, popular Magnum T.A. will make his St. Louis debut and battle Arne Anderson for the World Television Championship. The match will be one fall with a 45-minute time limit.

While Magnum is by far the prettier of the two, this isn't a screen test for a soap opera. Rather, it could quite possibly be an ugly event rather than pretty.



MAGNUM T.A.

Arne Anderson, along with his brother have beeb on a tear as of late, holding the National Tag Team Championship belts. Known as the "Wrecking Crew," the Anderson's have been indeed wrecking everyone in sight.

But on this occasion, Arne is going to be on his own with one of the quickest wrestlers ever to make it to the top: Magnum T.A.

Magnum is young, fast and very good-looking. Something that seems to bother Arne.

"That pretty boy is gonna get uglied-up," Anderson said. "I don't care if it's on television or not, I'm the type of champion that should represent the people on T.V."

Oh really? Well it seems, from the fans response to the successful Magnum, that Arne is wrong.

Magnum has leaped into the spotlight of the NWA so quickly, that many people in other wrestling countries don't even know who he is.

Boogieman, Superstar Clash With Midnite Express

Two unlikely competitors will join forces at The Arena Friday, November 29 in a tag-team battle.

"Boogie Man" Jimmy Valiant and Superstar Billy Graham, once torried enemies, will battle The Midnite Express with Jim Cornette. And Cornette, never one to keep his mouth shut, had plenty to say about the upcoming match in St. Louis which will be one fall with a 45-minute time limit.

"The Express is coming back to St. Louis," said Cornette. "We don't care who we wrestle, we're the top tag-team connection in the world. Boogie men and superstars can't scare the Midnite Express, that's for sure."

Valiant and Graham, as recently as this August, were not even close to being partners, let alone friends. But they have settled their differences and are now a formidable team. And, like Cornette, are excited about coming to St. Louis.

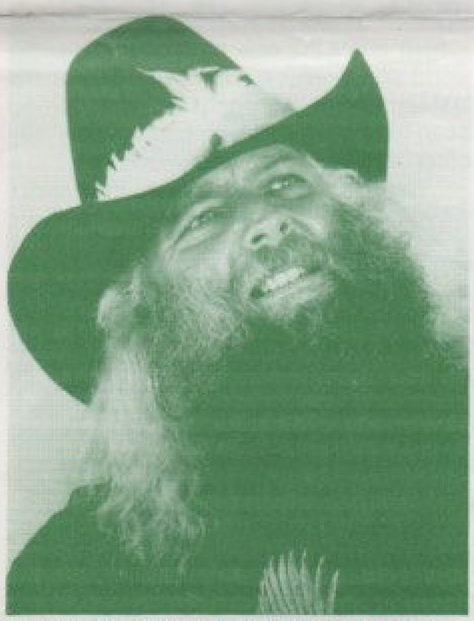
"It's been a long time since I've been in ol' St. Louie," the Superstar said. "It'll be nice to see some old friends like Pat O'Connor and Bob Geigel."

It would appear that the team of Graham and Valiant has a sizable edge over the Express. But the third man of the Express team, Cornette should, even if it's illegal, even things out.

"If that runt sets anywhere near us, he knows what will happen to him," Valiant said. "I'm gonna boogie in St. Louis and Cornette is not going to stop me or the Superstar."

While Graham and Valiant are a fairly new tag-team, the Midnite Express is an established, very respected tag-team. Cornette is also established as a top manager and he has had his Express on quite a tear as of late.

Believe it Jimmy. You'll find out Friday, November 29 at The Arena.



"BOOGIE-MAN" JIMMY VALIANT

Six-Man Tag Title Up For Grabs

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tough Billy Jack Haynes. The match will be one fall with a one-hour time limit.

Speaking of bad blood, Haynes is not too fond of the Russians either.

"This is a great opportunity for me to get back at them, especially Nikita Koloff," Haynes said. "Everyone knows how many times he's stuck his nose in my business."

For the Rockin' Roll Express, it's yet another chance to disgrace the Russians.

"They should never won that bout," Nikita said of the defeat of Ivan and Krusher. "I was not there, but I will be there this time, and I will not lose another title to them, especially to Billy Jack Haynes."

It does appear, even with Haynes on their team, that the Rockin' Roll Express is indeed overmatched. The power the Russians carry is only comparable to, maybe, the Road Warriors.

But, it happened one warm summer night in Shelby, North Carolina. Why not St. Louis, Missouri?

"Why not?," Gibson said. "Billy Jack, Rick and myself are far superior as far as wrestling skills. It's just that we are going to have to neutralize their power with our speed. Besides, Billy Jack is one bad dude."

And a lot of bad blood. Friday, November 29 at The Arena, the Rockin' Roll Express will go for another upset, with a little help from an American Hero, Billy Jack.

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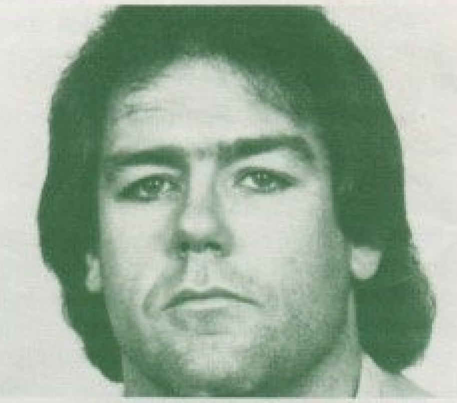
"Nature Boy" RIC FLAIR

vs.

"The American Dream" DUSTY RHODES

Blanchard, Baby Doll Take On Popular Art Crews, Nov. 29



TULLY BLANCHARD

"Super Brat" is coming to town. And we're not talking about John McEnroe.

Tully Blanchard along with his valet "Baby Doll" will be at The Arena Friday, November 29, when Blanchard meets the popular Art Crews in a fall, 20-minute time limit match.

Blanchard, who stripped Magnum T.A. of the U.S. Heavyweight Championship, has been the center of controvercy throughout the Mid-South area. He and his valet "Baby Doll" have been battling the likes of wrestlers such as Dusty Rhodes, Magnum T.A., Jimmy Valiant and others.

It would appear that it would be easy for Blanchard to take Crews, who has been tearing up the Central States area, lightly.

"I don't take any opponent lightly," Blanchard insisted. "I know Art Crews and I know what he is capable of doing. He's not capable of beating me and I've informed my "Perfect 10" valet of that."

Unfortunately, informing "Baby Doll" might not be an asset for Crews. But the rough former Central States Champion looks at it as indeed, an asset.

"I hope Tully has told her everything there is to know about me," Crews said. "Because I know what she does when Tully's in the ring. If she hampers me in any way, I'll teach her a lesson."

"The American Dream"
DUSTY RHODES

'American Dream' Goes For It All, Nov. 29 At The Arena

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"I don't know what the deal is," Rhodes said. "I've already proven that I am superior to Blanchard and I'm not worried about where I'm ranked. All I know is that I'm gonna meet Flair in St. Louis and I'm ready."

Flair, meanwhile has, as usual, been taking on all comers for the title. He knows the danger that Rhodes possess.

"Let's face it, he's beat me in the past, one time," the flamboyant Flair said. "But that was a long time ago. I've come along way since then and I'm still the World Champion and will be until I die."

One thing Flair feels he has on his side is that the match will take place in St. Louis.

"St. Louis is Ric Flair Country," Flair said. "I know that Dusty Rhodes has not been there in a long time and the fans probably don't even remember what he looks like. Wait 'til they see him — he's on his way out."

Flair is not the only one in the wrestling world who feels that Rhodes may be on his last leg as a professional wrestler, having been through more wars than probably any other wrestler in the business.

"Yeah, I've been in some tough battles," Rhodes said. "But there's a lot left in Dusty Rhodes. I've been given this opportunity and I'm going to take advantage of it. I don't know what's going to happen once we get in the ring, but I'll tell you what, I know Ric Flair, and he knows me."

Added Rhodes: "There are people out there that think this is the end for Dusty Rhodes, but I'll tell you, if you know Dusty Rhodes and what he represents, you know that isn't true.

"Besides, the 'American Dream' will never die."

Firday, November 29 at The Arena, the 'American Dream' returns in glory to St. Louis.